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§10:122C-4.3 Emergency evacuation, medical emergencies, and fire prevention

(a) Level I emergency evacuation, medical emergency, and fire safety requirements are as follows:

1. A battery-operated or hard wired smoke detector shall be installed on each floor of the home and operable at all times.
2. All combustible or flammable materials shall be kept at least three feet away from furnaces, boilers, heaters, fireplaces, wood-burning stoves and hot water heaters.
3. Each child in placement shall receive age-appropriate instruction in how to evacuate the home safely in the event of fire or other emergency.
4. Working fireplaces and electric space heaters shall be protected by screens, guards, insulation or any other suitable, non-combustible protective device.
5. When a wood-burning stove is in use, the resource family parent shall ensure that either:
 - i. The stove is protected by a screen or guard; or
 - ii. Age-appropriate supervision is provided at all times when children are present.
6. No portable liquid-fuel-burning heating appliance shall be used in the home.
7. The resource family parent shall maintain the following information near the telephone or other accessible area for use in the event of an emergency:
 - i. The name, address and telephone number of the physician(s) or hospital used by the child in placement;
 - ii. The 911 emergency services telephone number; and

iii. The poison control center telephone number.

8. The resource family parent shall maintain a basic first aid kit or first aid supplies in the home.

9. In order to receive an initial or renewal license, the resource family parent or applicant shall ensure that a carbon monoxide detector is in operation adjacent to each bedroom area, if the home contains fuel-burning appliances or has an attached garage used for motor vehicles.

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